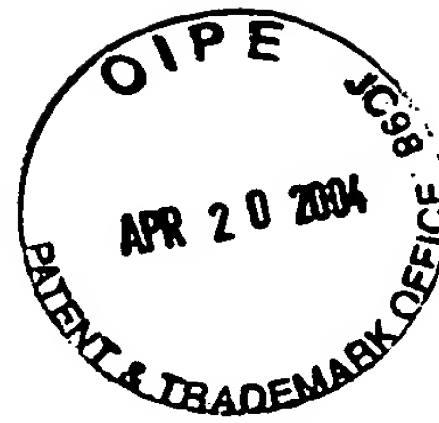


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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8, of this paper.